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ABOUT TOWN.

Arthur Taylor, aged 75 years, son of A. Taylor, died very suddenly Thursday evening, with a cough.

Mr. J. Wilmer Berry, of this place, formed a class in music at Willow Hall, Orange, next Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Amelia Jacobus and daughter started for Canada on Tuesday morning, where they will spend several weeks.

Mr. G. Lee Stout and Miss Susan E. Comstock, of Bloomfield, were married in New York on Tuesday last. They have our congratulations.

Robert Peele, Jr., of this place, started for Pinal, Arizona, on Thursday of this week, where he has accepted a position as mining engineer.

H. L. Whaley, son of Mrs. E. J. Whaley, of this place, was reported as very dangerously ill with heart trouble at Kansas City, Mo., on Thursday of this week.

The three new houses which Mrs. J. J. J. is having built on State street are nearly completed and will be ready for occupancy in a short time.

The wife and youngest daughter of the Rev. C. Wisner of New Philadelphia, Ohio, former pastor of the German Church of this place, are on a visit at her brother's, John G. Kevier.

The first entertainment in the Westminster Lyceum course will be given next Tuesday evening in the chapel. It will consist of a concert by the Weber male quartette and recitations by Mr. James S. Burdett, of Glen Ridge.

The Park Choral Union, of Jersey City, at the Montclair Congregational Church, on Tuesday evening, will sing several selections from Gounod's Oratorio of "The Redemption." This association was the first in this country to give in public the Oratorio in its entirety.

The Ladies Aid Society of St. Paul's Church, of Dordrecht, held a fair and festival at the Watessing Wigwam, on Thursday and Friday evenings of this week. An entertainment consisting of Eden Mussey Wax Works and a Broom Drill was also given, adding greatly to the interest of the evening.

A Longfellow entertainment will be given at Library Hall, on November 19th, Sunday, "The Blind Girl of Castel Cuille," illustrated by tableaux vivants. Singing by a male quartette, and recitations, will also be under the auspices of our Baptist friends, and should be well patronized.

The Park Choral Union, of Jersey City, including as it does, such well-known artists as Madame Jule de Kuyther, Mrs. Gertrude B. Luther, the Bauer Brothers, Mr. Back and Mr. Lyding, presents an array of talent which should insure a full house at the Congregational Church, at 8 o'clock, on Tuesday evening next.

At a meeting of the Bloomfield Republican Association, held Wednesday evening, it was resolved to continue the present organization until next April. At that date further action of the same kind will no doubt be taken. A committee on Constitution and By-laws was appointed and the meeting adjourned to meet at the call of the President.

The annual meeting of the Women's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society will be held Sunday evening, Nov. 16th, in the Baptist Church. A very interesting programme has been prepared, consisting of recitations, singing and an address by Mrs. K. K. K., a returned missionary. A cordial welcome will be given to all desiring to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. John Jenkins celebrated the fifteenth anniversary of their wedding on Monday evening, November third, at their home on Bloomfield avenue. The affair passed off very pleasantly, and will be remembered by those present. No notice should have been given last week, but in the excitement of the political contest was overlooked.

The third annual ball of the Morris and Essex Railroad Employees' Mutual Benefit

Association will be held at the Academy of Music, Newark, N. J., on Friday evening, November 21st. Music will be furnished by Prof. Voss's First Regiment band. The cause is a worthy one and has been well patronized in the past by the traveling public. The Committee of arrangements would be thankful for the same consideration on this occasion.

The Township Committee met on Friday evening of last week, and authorized the president to sign the contract with the gas company for another year. The clerk was instructed to notify the owners of the mill property to remove the barbed wire fence which was recently erected, and place a fence of less objectionable material on the street line. The Road and Sidewalk Committees reported the work now being done on Broad street and the laying of stone walk as progressing satisfactorily.

Dr. Knox's Lecture on the Old Church.

On Tuesday evening Rev. Dr. Knox delivered the fifth lecture in his course upon the history of Bloomfield, the subject being the building of the first church and including a history of its progress during the past ninety years.

The interest felt in this lecture was manifested by the large number of persons present, and the spacious Sunday-school rooms were filled.

The circumstances under which the church was organized and the self denial and generosity of the men and women of Bloomfield in the early days were dwelt upon at length and were very interesting. Dr. Knox then referred to the several pastors who have filled the pulpit since that time, giving many details relating to the most important events which occurred in the term of each pastor.

Dr. Knox said that many people were of the opinion that the church was built upon the Park, or Common, but the fact is that the Common was not laid out until two years after the church edifice was completed and then it was located in front of the church.

The lecture was quite long, but the speaker retained the undivided attention of his audience to the end. The next lecture will be given on Tuesday evening, the 18th, and will be a history of the educational institutions of Bloomfield.

Montclair Truck Reception.

Montclair Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1, held their second annual parade and reception last Thursday evening, at Montclair. The following companies were represented: Central Hook & Ladder Co., of Somerville, N. J., Essex Hook & Ladder Co., of Bloomfield, Phoenix Hose Co., of Bloomfield, and Eastern Hose Co., of East Orange. The march was about four miles in length. The residences and stores of the citizens were decorated with flags and bunting and illuminated with Chinese lanterns, making the line of march present a very fine appearance.

After the parade, Montclair H. & L. Co. held a reception at their truck house, where a collation was served and full justice done to it by the hungry firemen. Mr. Carey, Chairman of the Montclair Township Committee, greeted the firemen and visitors in a few well chosen words, and the foremen of the different companies responded, wishing prosperity and success to their entertainers, and the firemen giving hearty cheers. About 11:15 the reception ended and the visitors were escorted to the Bloomfield line by Montclair H. & L. Co. The truck house is one of the prettiest in the State. The reception room is very attractive; the walls are decorated with light paper hangings and pictures, the furniture and carpet according with the same, making it a very pleasant place to pass an evening. We wish Montclair H. & L. Co. success and prosperity, and many happy returns of the day.

Towards midnight it was evident that the election was very close, and the arrival of Mr. Sutton from New York, with returns from Republican headquarters, was awaited with anxiety. He at length arrived, but did not furnish anything additional, showing that our returns were as good as were to be had. One telegram after another was read, first favoring one side and then another, till it was decided that nothing definite was to be learned before morning, and the meeting broke up at about two A. M.

Law and Order League. The following letter has been received by the Executive Committee of the Law and Order League, and is sent you for publication in order that the citizens of this place may know that something is being done:

NEWARK, N. J., Nov. 10th, 1884. D. G. Garabrant, Esq.: My DEAR SIR—The Court, to-day in the Bloomfield license cases pronounced sentences as follows, viz.:

Seth S. Roberts, fined \$25 and costs; Catharine Coogan, fined \$25 and costs; James Porter, fined \$25 and costs; Herman Thierfelder, fined \$25 and costs; all to stand committed until fine and costs are paid, with an admonition by the Court, that if ever convicted of like offence, the sentence would be confinement in State Prison.

John Glavin, one month in the Penitentiary at hard labor and costs, with admonition that confinement at State Prison would follow another conviction. The cases of

John Robinson, Charles Myinhart, Frank A. Croose, James Finnegan, Gottfried Kurtz and Theodore Johnson, who all pleaded "not guilty," are set down for trial on November 21st.

I have no doubt that we will secure convictions in the remaining cases. I trust, with the sentences already pronounced (the cost in each case amounting to about \$50, making in all about the sum of \$75), and the certainty of imprisonment following a subsequent conviction will result in a more strict observance of the license law in Bloomfield than you have had for several years last past.

THEO. L. CORREX. SOOTHINGTON, CONN., Nov. 1884. To the Citizens: The election is over. We, in this far away hamlet, do not yet know its result. I for one do not care, if it must be either Blaine or Cleveland, because I believe that the money power saw to it that which ever party triumphed their interests were safe, and the same financial system that has hitherto prevailed will not be disturbed.

The election is over, and party prejudice will subside and again leave those who are more interested in instructing the people in the principles of a people's government than in the success of some particular party or pet scheme, an opportunity to do their work without encountering all the blinding dust-driving which makes it almost futile in the heat of a political campaign. A presidential campaign is the politicians time. The time between these unseemly brawls is the people's time. I use the word "politician," not in its proper sense, because I believe that under a government based on the theory that the people have a right to self-government, every man and woman ought to be a politician—but in its partisan, odious sense.

I have great confidence in the patience and liberality of THE CITIZEN, but perhaps I have already taxed them to the limit. If not I crave space for some facts in reference to the hard times of 1873 and on, which you tell me were caused by "excessive railroad building; the evils of inflated currency and bad crops."

You say "depressions occur under all systems." Did any "depressions" occur under the system adopted by the Pennsylvania Colony at the instigation of Benj. Franklin, which was to issue money based on land instead of on metals? On the contrary history records a period of uninterrupted prosperity until that system was dissolved by the revolutionary war.

Doubtless, I think there can be too much money in the country, but I do not believe we have ever had too much. For this reason I glory in the name of "inflationists," because all our seasons of prosperity are during what the believers in a gold basis call "periods of inflation." We are now in a period of depression, caused by contraction of the currency resulting from two causes: a comparative contraction brought about by our increased population, and a positive contraction by keeping a large surplus in the treasury. If we ever emerge from this "period of depression" without an inflation of the currency from some source, I will forever lay down my political pen and humbly hold my peace on all financial matters.

My teachers in these matters were Republicans. The Republican party had prophets in the days of "Lang Syne." They taught us that not from inflation, but from contraction, came our hard times, now politely called periods of depression.

Bear with me while I quote at length from one of these prophets. John Sherman, in a speech delivered Feb. 27, 1868, while speaking of contracting the currency—which at that time was done by burning up the greenbacks and issuing interest bearing bonds in their place—said, "The appreciation of the currency is a far more distressing operation than Senators suppose. Our own and other nations have gone through that process before. * * * It is not possible to take this voyage with the so-called distress. To every person except a capitalist, out of debt, or a salaried officer or accountant, it is a period of loss, danger, lassitude of trade, fall of wages, suspension of enterprise, bankruptcy and disaster."

Could any but a prophet have foretold so exactly the condition of affairs which followed an attempt at "resumption?" How the prophet was afterward merged in the rich banker I leave to the conjectures of those more familiar with "the deificfulness of riches" than I am.

In this prophecy of hard times, of "the so-called distress," John Sherman says not one word about any cause for them but the contraction of the currency; and can any sane person not see that to contract our currency from forty-six to thirteen dollars per capita, must leave the body industrial in a prostrate condition?

But I have further evidence. By consulting appendix to Congressional Record, 1874, you can find the following, in a speech of John A. Logan, perhaps even now, Vice-President elect:

"There are many who firmly believe that a return immediately to a specie basis,

though oppressive in a time would ultimately prove most beneficial. But I for one, can see benefit only in the money power, and those who receive interest, and those who have fixed incomes. I can see as a result, our business operations crippled, and labor reduced to a mere pittance. I can see the beautiful prairies of my own State, which were beginning to bloom as gardens, with the cheerful homes rising like white towers along the pathway of improvement, again sinking back to idleness. I can see the hopes of the industrious farmer blasted as he burns his corn for fuel, because the price will not pay the cost of transportation.

You will observe that neither Mr. Sherman nor Mr. Logan give low tariff, over-production, drunkenness, bad crops, excessive railroad building extravagance, laziness, nor any of the current reasons (?) for hard times. They foretold the sore distress solely on the ground of a contraction of the currency to a specie basis.

And yet, in spite of these and many similar warnings, the Republican party persisted in that ruinous course, and the very men who uttered the warnings remain with them to this day. Is it any wonder that many good men from that time turned their backs on the Republican party? As sure as right is right a new party is formed which will, sooner or later, see to it that the few are not made rich at the expense of the many.

CELIA B. WHITEHEAD. List of Letters Remaining unclaimed in the Post Office at Bloomfield, N. J., on Wednesday, Nov. 12, 1884.

Bergus, Mrs. M. E. Robertson, David Bennett, Chas. L. Russell, Edward Canby, Mrs. Maria Sayre, Mrs. John Emory, Mrs. F. A. Saisfield, Sarah Fischer, August Smiley, Ira (2) Howard, Mrs. M. Wilson, Geo. M. Wisel, Jennie.

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